Introduced by Assembly Member Matthews

February 18, 2003

An act to amend Section 219 of the Code of Civil Procedure, relating to jurors.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 513, as introduced, Matthews. Juries: peace officer exemption. Existing law exempts certain peace officers from jury panels sent to courtrooms for voir dire in civil and criminal matters, and other specified peace officers from jury panels sent to courtrooms for voir dire in criminal matters.

This bill would exempt parole officers, probation officers, and correctional officers who are peace officers, as specified, from jury panels sent to courtrooms for voir dire in civil and criminal matters.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 219 of the Code of Civil Procedure is 2 amended to read:
- 3 219. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), the jury 4 commissioner shall randomly select jurors for jury panels to be
- 5 sent to courtrooms for voir dire.
- 6 (b) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), no peace officer, as defined in Section 830.1, subdivision (a) of Section 830.2, and

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- subdivision (a) of Section 830.33, or Section 830.5 of the Penal
- 2 Code, shall be selected for voir dire in civil or criminal matters.
 - (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), no peace officer, as
- 4 defined in subdivisions subdivision (b) and or (c) of Section 830.2
- 5 of the Penal Code, shall be selected for voir dire in criminal
- 6 matters.